

The Times Staff Wishes Everyone A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Best Wishes For This Happy Time

We extend to you friendly greetings for Christmas and wish you joy and prosperity in the New Year

IRMA BAKERY, R. H. STONE

MERRY
CHRISTMAS



HAPPY
NEW YEAR

As we reflect upon the past year we recollect the pleasant associations we have had with our friends and customers and to them all we extend

SINCERE BEST WISHES FOR THIS
HAPPIEST OF SEASONS

IRMA HARDWARE



Once again the Joyous Christmas Season returns with remembrance of pleasant associations and gives us an opportunity of wishing you

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HEALTHY, HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS 1943

W. N. FRICKELTON



Yuletide Greetings

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE A VERY MERRY
ONE AND 1943 A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
YEAR FOR ALL OF YOU

That is our wish for all our friends and customers

Hansen's Service Station



This glad time brings us happy recollections of pleasant associations with our many friends and we mean it when we say

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A BRIGHT AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

FOXWELL'S Phone 13 IRMA

COME TO THE BIG

New Year's Eve DANCE



Sponsored by
IRMA VICTORY
CIGARETTE CLUB

To be held in

Keifer's Hall
THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 31st

COME AND HELP SEND
SMOKES TO YOUR LOCAL
BOYS OVERSEAS

GOOD MUSIC GOOD LUNCH

Dance to Start at 9:00 p.m.

Admission Gents 50c, Ladies 25c

THIS SPACE DONATED BY THE IRMA TIMES STAFF

Letters

LETTERS FROM SOME
OF OUR BOYS

Somewhere in Wales.
Dear Folks:
In acknowledgement of the cigarettes I wish to thank you, both for them and for your thoughtfulness. I don't smoke much but have developed a slight habit, and they are really a very welcome gift in this country. All our parcels and letters arrive remarkably well, and in that way we never seem so far from home.
Extending regards to your entire club and the Irma folks.
Kieth Coffin.

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Somewhere in England.

Dear Friends:
I received another package of your cigarettes which you all so kindly helped in sending me. I really wish that I could thank you all in person, but seeing that I can't, I want you all to know that I think it really sweet of you folks back home. So thanks a million.
Pte. Sharkey, J.

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Dear Folks:
Just a few lines in appreciation of the cigarettes I just received from you dear folks back at home. It is really grand to get smokes from home, as it is almost impossible to get cigarettes here when a fellow runs out.

I just don't know quite how to thank you folks just to show you how I really feel about it.
So I will say so long for now, and I hope to meet all the kind folks of the Irma district again real soon. And keep the chins up and the boys will do their part.
Eldon Herbert.

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When we read these letters from the boys we feel it is worth an effort to try and keep them in smokes. So we will be looking for you all at the New Year's Eve dance.
Yours, the I.V.C. Club.

Kal Hostrup, F.C. 3/c
Instructor Group I
U.S.N.T.S.
Great Lakes, Ill.
U.S.A.

Editor, Irma Times,
Dear Sir:
When I left Irma in the summer of 1926, I left many friends whom I still think of and wonder what has become of them since the be-

Holiday

BOXING DAY IS PROCLAIMED
AS HOLIDAY DATE

Boxing Day—Saturday, Dec. 26—will be observed as a statutory holiday following a proclamation issued Friday by the provincial government.

Stores and business places will be closed all day. Do your shopping for a long week-end early next week and avoid the last-minute rush.

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WEDDING

A quiet wedding was solemnized in United church manse on Monday afternoon when Mr. Arthur Francis Frye, of Princeton, and Miss Olive Reed, of Irma, Alberta, were united in marriage. Rev. J. C. Goodfellow officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Frye will reside in Princeton.

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CARD OF THANKS

Colin Carter would like to express his sincere thanks to all those who were so kind to him during his four months illness in the Royal Alexandra hospital in Edmonton. To all those who sent him such grand letters and cards for the lovely boxes of fruit and flowers, for the many visits made to the hospital by friends of Irma, Wainwright and Edmonton, to the L.O.B.A. for both points, to the children and Miss Longmire of the Junior room, and to those who expressed their sympathy with money. Mr. and Mrs. Carter and the boys also add most grateful thanks.

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It will be appreciated by the merchants of Irma if everyone will do their Christmas shopping early so they will be able to close the stores early Christmas Eve.

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NEWS OF OUR BOYS

LAC Ralph Congdon, in training at Meleed, is the proud father of a son, born in an Edmonton hospital on December 4th.
Pte. Glen Hockett was home last week-end on leave.

gining of the war.

Any information will be greatly appreciated from those still remaining in and around Irma.

In this Christmas season may we all find happiness and peace in the new year.

Sincerely yours,

Kal Hostrup,
United States Navy.



We want to wish you all lots of Joy at this Happy Season and hope that Christmas is just the way you want it.

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR, TOO

Steve's Shoe and Harness Shop



Merry Christmas

AND BEST WISHES FOR A PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR

At this glad time we want to wish all our customers a Really Fine New Year

IRMA GARAGE

A Friendly, Hopeful Greeting



Once again we extend to customers and friends a sincere and friendly Christmas Greeting. It is a greeting and a wish combined. The greeting is in recognition of pleasant business dealings and associations. The wish is for a better, brighter and happier Christmas to come. This Christmas sees our hopes beginning to take shape and the fulfillment of our desires may be with us ere another Christmas comes to us. We take this opportunity of extending to you our sincere wishes for a cheerful Christmas and a brighter, happier New Year.

Imperial Lumber Company Ltd.

H. L. BLACK, Agent

SEASON'S GREETINGS



This is a time for happy memories and pleasant recollections of business associations

May The Christmas Season
Be A Merry One For You
And The New Year Bright
And Prosperous

CLUB CAFE

A full stock of assorted ice cream bricks on hand for Christmas and New Year's



Greetings

Once again we take time to wish you the best of everything for the coming year and that it may bring Peace and Prosperity to us all.

IRMA TRADING COMPANY



No coarse holes,
no doughy lumps
To put your family
"in the dumps"
Fine-grained your bread
each time you bake
With ROYAL Yeast—
the pure yeast cake

**EACH
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MADE IN CANADA

HALFWAY HOUSE

— BY —
MICHAEL TRENT

CHAPTER X

Anne kept busy, believing activity in large doses would be the cure for a broken heart. She spent the morning, seeing to the comforts of the guests, bringing her bookkeeping up to date, by joining in the dining room conversation at lunch. That afternoon she drove to town for a supply of food, going in place of Burke whose errand it really was to have been. She talked to Burke before getting into the station wagon.

"Did you see Mr. Blake off, Burke?" She tried to be casual about it. "His leaving was unexpected. He was called away on business."

"I didn't take Mr. Blake into the station," he said. "He wanted to get out about five miles from town. Said he liked to walk early in the morning."

Anne nodded, got into the car. She could picture Erich walking along that lonely road, obviously in the direction of Sand Flats. A glad stone bag belonging to her father was missing; so, Erich would be carrying that for appearances, and to smuggle away the small store of food missing from the kitchen. She well knew that he had not gone on to the town; certainly, since Burke had turned back toward Halfway House. Erich had left the road and plunged into the trackless forest—making for the mountains. Making for Mexico, farther away than he—perhaps guessed Anne—had ever been for him, and suddenly Erich Kruger seemed closer to her and more important to her than he ever had in years of casually accepted friendship.

It was three miles along the road that she came upon Jud riding a mule. She had the half-amused thought that never before had she seen a scarecrow mounted on a mule. Nor had she ever seen so disreputable a scarecrow. Jud's ugly yellow dog trotted dejectedly behind the mule. The strange companion drew to one side as the station wagon approached, then Jud gestured when he recognized Anne. She halted the car alongside him. His behavior and face had a dark and bony look, a tobacco-stained grin.

"Saw Mr. Blake drive by with your man this morning?"

"Your man drove back without him. Mr. Blake leaving Halfway House?"

Anne had a sudden suspicion. She said, "I never told you his name. Who did he tell you?"

"Reckon I heard it when I was at the hotel the other night."

"You don't reckon someone told you?"

"Well, it might've been."

"Was it Miss Marshall?"

"The pretty dark-haired girl?"

"Guess there ain't no harm in saying yes," the man drawled.

Anne looked at him, with thinly concealed distaste. It didn't matter that Rhea Marshall and he had talked, but Anne was driven by a strange curiosity to know why Rhea had been interested.

"I guess I understand," she said. "She overheard you and me discussing one of the guests that night. After I started for town, she talked with you. She wanted to know what you knew, and you told her how a man, then a guest at Halfway House, had another night hidden himself in my station wagon in town—when he had been dressed in clothes suggesting an escaped prisoner. You know there was an escaped prisoner in the vicinity of Sand Flats, and guessed he was that prisoner. You told that girl all that."

"She said she knew all about him—at first," Jud muttered uncomfortably. "Then she offered me fifty dollars to point out the man. She took me up to the verandah and pointed him out through the window. She said his name was Blake. He grinned crookedly. 'Can't blame a

He reached out, gave her arm an encouraging squeeze, smiled. Then he turned and went across the street in the direction of Sheriff Hardy's office. Anne stood there alone for a long moment, feeling worse than before meeting Bill McRae.

Steve Hayes had been haunting the timber burn ever since evidence had been turned up pointing to incendiaries. Having seen rich stands of forest destroyed, having seen men die fighting such fires, he hated firebugs with an inordinate violence. He wanted to find the man who had set that fire; he wanted to send that man to prison. He rode back to Squaw Creek in midafternoon, after finding the coat and necktie among some rocks on the edge of the lake and not far from the scorched place in the watered. The coat and necktie were evidence.

He saw the strange horse standing with reins down before the station building when he rode by to the corral to put up his own mount. And then, returning after, he saw Rhea in the doorway.

The girl stepped from the threshold, a smile wavering on lips that had been—and was—enlivening. She stopped him by putting her hand on his arm. She was in riding clothes, mannish shirt and jodhpurs, and that was how he had first seen her, four years ago, when he had lost to head over her. She looked just as desirable. He hardened his heart.

"Don't look at me like that, Steve," Rhea said. "Please! Don't hate me, darling. Tears mistled her eyes, and he had never seen her cry before. "I've learned my lesson, Steve. I've come back, and I'm your wife, and you've got to be decent. I'm only asking for another chance. Can't you give me that much?"

He looked at her stonily. His hands were closed viselike on the rolled-up cat he held. He wondered how it was possible that once he had wanted her so much and now wanted her so little. He neither loved nor hated her now; there was no feeling for her.

He said daily, "What do you expect of me, Rhea? I told you last night that I'm in love with someone else. I can give you nothing—none of the things you want or are accustomed to, not even love."

"I want you to accept me as your wife, Steve. I'll make things up to you. I'll make you love me again—and make you happy."

He said nothing, merely stared at her in that stony way. Rhea lifted her hands in a pleading way. The tears spilled over onto her cheeks. "Steve," she sobbed, "you can't abandon me."

"No," he said. "I can't abandon you." He looked away from her. "We'll talk about this later. I've work to do now."

He and she walked into the building, not seeing the victorious smile that came to the girl's face.

Bill McRae was in the radio room. He gave a sour grin, saying, "I see you had a visitor, pal." Then: "That Blake guy checked out of Halfway House early this morning. I went into Sand Flats, and the station agent said, 'No, strange-looking morning train.' That doesn't mean Blake couldn't have had someone to meet him with a car. But looks in the clear, Steve. I talked to Anne."

Steve cut him short with a grunt. He unrolled the coat, took the necktie from its pocket. The coat was a gray tweed, the tie a solid blue. He hung them onto a chair.

Bill McRae was wearing that coat and tie—or exact duplicates—the first day I saw him at Halfway House. I'm going to have a talk with that guy—no matter where he went."

Anne says he was at the fire, helping to fight it."

"That's probably what he told her. Bill McRae stared at him. "Steve, are you out to get this Blake because I said he was?"

And Steve Hayes said, "I'm out to get him because I think he's our man. His being Anne's friend doesn't matter one way or another."

(To Be Continued)

GRANTED EXEMPTION

National defence headquarters announced that students at Canadian universities who are doing war research work under national research council projects will not be required to take military training. There are 128 students engaged in this type of work in universities across Canada.

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

In the Canadian Rockies there's an open-air swimming pool where ardent swimmers take a dip in warm water, even in sub-zero winter weather? Natural hot springs make the phenomenon possible. You see them swimming in this pool in an Associated Screen "Did You Know That" movie short, on unique facts about Canada.

SMILE AWHILE

Mistress—Nora, I understand that you have a model husband.

Nora—Shure, mum, he's the finest a girl could have. If you could see the way he takes me, you'd be after saying he were a friend in need of a husband.

Housewife—And are you really content to spend your life walking around the country begging?

Tramp—No, ma'am, many's the time I wished I had a car.

Wife—I want some money.

Husband—Say, what did you do with that last dollar I gave you?

Wife—I spent thirty cents in 1936, forty cents in 1937, and twenty-three cents in 1938.

He—No woman ever takes another woman's advice about frocks.

She—Naturally. You don't ask the enemy how to win the war.

"So, he said I was a polished gentleman, did he?"

"Well, yes. It meant the same thing."

"What was the exact word?"

"He said you were a slippery fellow."

Jeweller—Here's a nice little diamond for a dollar.

Prospective Bridegroom—Well, it's O.K. but haven't you got imitation ones cheaper?

Young Man—I want to buy a diamond ring.

Salesman—Yes, sir. How about one of our combination sets? Three pieces. Engagement, wedding and teething.

"So your name is McDonald?"

"Yes."

"And you want to change it to Laurier-MacIntyre-Strenson. Tell me why you want to do that."

"It's my wife's idea. She thinks I ought to have the same initials that are on our spoons and towels."

Seaman—Ah! There I sees a torpedo, lady, sailing straight for us!

Lady Listener—Dear me! I do hope it was one of ours.

Judge—You say you have known the defendant all your life. Tell the jury whether you think he would be guilty of stealing this money."

Witness—How much was it?

Witness—How much was it? I want to know money."

Drummer Boys—No, and we'll bet you didn't, either.

HOME SERVICE

JOLLY GAMES FOR YOUR NEXT PARTY



Your Guests Go A-Hunting

What's this? Big game hunters routed by a toy mouse? These hilarious goings-on are called "On Safari," and it's a grand game to play at your next party.

Give each guest a toy gun—or one cut from cardboard—and announce a prize for the largest bag of game to be caught in 30 minutes. Lions and tigers count 25; elephants and giraffes 10, mice one point.

You have previously hidden about the room pictures of animals cut from inexpensive children's books. But—more fun to have the mice mechanical ones, let them scuttie suddenly on the scene! For the biggest kill, award toy elephant.

Another rollicking game is "Who Am I?" Pin the name of a famous person on back of each player, and let him learn his identity by asking questions: "Am I dead yet?" "What's my claim to fame?" Give a tin horn to the first to guess his name.

And did you ever try "Magic Writing?" "Card Toss Fortunes?"

They're great fun—like the dozens of other games and stunts given in our 32-page booklet. Has ice-breakers, team games, guessing contests, fortune-telling, to make you the most popular party-giver in town. Send five in coins for your copy of "Party Games for All Occasions" to Home Service Dept., Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermott Ave. E., Winnipeg, Man. Be sure to write plainly your name, address, and the name of booklet.

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Tobacco Parcels to PRISONERS OF WAR



POST FREE

All communications with prisoners of war (no matter in what country they may be held) are under the supervision of the International Red Cross. Any parcels sent to prisoners of war go through this organization and NO POSTAGE IS REQUIRED. This means that you can send

300 CIGARETTES FOR 76¢

to any prisoner of war. You may send any one of the following brands for this price:

"BRITISH CONSOLS," "LEGION," "SCOTCH BLENDS," "EXPORT" or "MACDONALD'S MENTHOL"

or if you wish, one pound of tobacco—BRIER SMOKING or any MACDONALD'S CIGARETTE TOBACCO (with papers) also DAILY MAIL cigarette tobacco.

1,000 cigarettes—any one of the above brands—may be sent under the same conditions for \$1.90

When sending in your order, please be sure to give the following information: Regimental number, prisoner of war number, rank and name, camp and also the name and address of sender.

Remittance must be made by postal note or money order and sent to PRISONERS OF WAR DEPARTMENT

W. C. MACDONALD INC.

P. O. Box 1929, Place d'Armes, Montreal, Canada

Alberta Sugar

345,000 Tons Of Sugar Beets In Southern Alberta This Year

We have come to take our beet sugar industry in Southern Alberta, pretty much for granted, but there are a few facts about the 1942 crop which we should bear in mind just as we keep things in their proper perspective.

We grew 345,000 tons of sugar beets this year on some 27,000 acres.

By the time the run in the plants finishes some time in January we will have manufactured 110,000,000 pounds of sugar.

Farmers will receive some \$3,100,000 as their share of the sugar money, of which, of course, they will have to pass along nearly a million dollars to beet labor.

The retail price of the sugar will be very close to \$10,000,000 at the selling price of about nine cents a pound.

The Government will collect from this in excise taxes about \$1,650,000.

—Lethbridge Herald.

Breaks Long Record

Night-Blooming Cereus Opened In Broad Daylight This Year

Old Faithful had nothing on the night blooming cereus owned by Edward Volk of Cleveland, until this year.

For 42 years the flower has opened, once a year, approximately at midnight, and closed its bloom at sunrise.

The 1942 edition, however, skipped the nocturnal blooming and opened in broad daylight.

ALL FIGHTING MACHINES

Every farm machine is a fighting machine. A battle may be lost if a tank breaks down, so may a crop be lost while a plow is being repaired.

Every farm machine must be in fighting trim when it goes into action next year.

Scratching

For quick relief from itching of various kinds, such as eczema, psoriasis, etc., use this cream. It is specially formulated to soothe and cool the skin, and to relieve the itching. It is available in 10-cent and 25-cent tins. Write for free literature to D. D. Prescription.

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JACKSON DODDS RETIRES



Jackson Dodds has retired from the position of joint general manager of the Bank of Montreal. Western Canadian agrarian organizations, and more particularly the Wheat Pools of the prairie provinces, will regret this event. Jackson Dodds was one high bank official who had a comprehensive and sympathetic understanding of the western Canadian farm problems. Thanks mainly to him, the Wheat Pools, when they were first organized, were able to make satisfactory banking arrangements. Furthermore, when the Pools encountered serious financial trouble in the fateful 1929-30 crop year, they found in Jackson Dodds a real "friend at court." The result was that a year ago, when an inter-provincial Wheat Pool meeting was being held in Winnipeg and Jackson Dodds happened to be in that city at the same time, he was invited to attend one of the sessions and given a rousing welcome. No other bank executive in Canada's history ever had such an experience.

A Montreal newspaper, in an article on Jackson Dodds' retirement, had this to say:

"One of the last things he (Mr. Dodds) took off his desk, when he moved out of his office on the ground floor of the Bank of Montreal headquarters building on St. James Street, was a photo of the late Henry Wise Wood, sent to Mr. Dodds as a friendly gesture of admiration by Mr. Woods just a few years before he died.

"Just in case you had forgotten, Henry Wise Wood was the father of the Canadian Wheat Pools and a diligent promoter of western emancipation from the shackles of the big interests' back east. He seemed to regard bankers and banking as if they were creations of the devil, and for long denounced their alleged misdeeds against the best interests of Canada and Canadians.

"But he became a friend and admirer of Jackson Dodds and through that, even came to be satisfied that bankers and banking might have some good works to their credit. A big factor was Mr. Dodds' personality and sagacity. Another was the fact that he was largely instrumental in enabling the Wheat Pools, in their early stages, to obtain banking accommodation on a regular basis, thus obviating any need for provincial governments to enter the picture." Wheat Pool Budget.

SINGLE CAR PLATE SYSTEM NEXT YEAR

Single license plates will be issued to motor car owners in Alberta for the 1943-44 license year which opens April 1, next, according to information received from the provincial authorities by the Alberta Motor Association.

The single plate will be perforated so as to provide for the attachment of a 1944 tab. All this will be done in the interests of conservation made necessary by wartime conditions.

Several other provinces have adopted the single plate system to cope with the curtailments made necessary by the war and to carry out the policy of conservation of materials.

The new plates will have black numerals on an orange background contrasting with those of the present year which have a color combination of white on dark blue.

In the United States, only five states will change from the 1942 color scheme. Some have decided to use windshield stickers, date tabs and wooden license plates.

More than 50 percent of the states will use a permanent license plate, to which a small tab or tab will be attached showing the year date.

It takes about eight egg whites equal a cupful. Remember this when using left-over egg whites in cooking. Store the whites, covered, in the refrigerator and they will keep for a week.

The LETTER BOX

(The Times is not responsible for opinions expressed by contributors)

The Editor,
Dear Sir:

Unless the dominion government take immediate steps to guarantee the producer getting an equitable price for hogs in comparison with that received by the packer, many farmers are going to make a drastic reduction in their hog feeding operations.

At present the price is jockeyed up and down to an inexplicable degree and farmers are convinced that the packing interests are getting more than their fair share.

Previous to the raise in the new contract price the packers were paying as high as \$14.45 per 100. An equivalent price under the new contract would be \$18.40. A few days before the new contract price was announced the price to the farmer was dropped to as low as \$13.25 to \$13.50. This was the packers own minimum and was obviously satisfactory to them.

The new contract called for a raise of \$2.00 per 100 which should make the packers minimum \$15.25. They are only paying \$15.15 at Calgary.

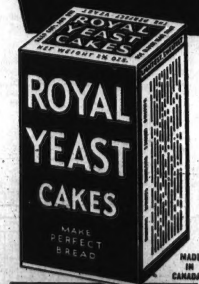
The chiselling is obvious: the packers are trying to get (and are getting) at least half the increase for themselves. At the new contract price the farmer should get at least \$16.10 to \$16.25 Edmonton and Calgary and the Alberta Farmers' Union warns both the packers and the dominion government that unless something equitable is immediately done as regards the price spread and the labor supply there is grave danger that the 1943 bacon contract will not be filled.

In order to ensure an adequate supply of hogs for the next two years, a parity will have to be paid to the producer and this would be in the neighborhood of \$22.00 per 100. With present price discounts prevailing on all hogs below the B grade, retail prices for domestic pork are plenty high and this is where the government should exercise price control and not at the producer at present. The same is true in regards to wheat. Present bread prices justify \$2.00 wheat to the farmer and all he is getting for the small amount he is allowed to sell is about 65¢ per bushel. Practically the whole brunt of price ceiling is being borne by the farmer and the poorer class of consumer.

Yours truly,
H. E. Nichols,
Secretary, Alta. Farmers' Union

Bottles containing flavoring, extracts and seasonings should be kept tightly corked or the contents will lose flavor.

BREAD INSURANCE FOR ONLY 2¢ PER CAKE



FULL STRENGTH DEPENDABLE IN THE AIRTIGHT WRAPPER

World of Wheat

by H. G. L. Strange
Director of the Searle Grain Co.

On all sides farmers are advised to use more wheat for feeding pigs. At present prices wheat is a cheap feed too. Wheat, however, will not be used as much as it should be if pigs are lost, and for too high a percentage of young pigs are lost at farrowing time.

Newborn pigs can be saved with proper care. The sow should have a small nest of straw or hay. The sow will make it herself if a little straw, hay or chaff is provided. The nest should be preferably in the centre of a horse or cow stall, not at the sides, for fear the sow will overlay her litter.

The new little pigs must be kept warm after birth. It is a good thing to place them in an old blanket in a box as quickly as they are farrowed until the whole farrowing is complete. If it is very cold take the box into the house for a while until the little pigs are dried off. They can then be returned to the sow nice and warm when they will suckle readily. This means that the farmer should be present at farrowing time in cold weather.

Those who are not expert in managing pigs in cold weather should write to the animal husbandry department of their nearest university.

What Varieties To Grow

An analysis of the Crop Testing Plan work for the year 1942 reveals once again that there are still hundreds of farmers (exactly 4.3 percent, of 12,000 whose fields were tested) who grow a variety different from the variety they thought they were growing, and would like to have grown. Invariably such farmers are greatly surprised when they see the analysis of their crop. Some who thought they were growing Thatcher or Apex or Regent or Renown—which are rust-resistant varieties—were found to be growing Marquis or Red Bobs or that old fashioned variety which seems to have a peculiar attraction to some farmers—the so-called Early Red Fife—all of which were badly damaged by rust.

Usually this came about because a farmer bought his seed from a fellow farmer, thinking it was a rust-resistant variety. In a rust year, of course, those farmers growing a rust-susceptible variety would suffer a severe loss of income. It seems then, that farmers should assure themselves of the truthness-to-variety of any seed they purchase. Registered and certified seeds are the best because their truthness to the variety name is guaranteed by the Canadian Seed Growers' Association or the dominion government.

TIP FOR WASHING MILK SEPARATORS

Milk separators require careful attention. If they are left unwashed enormous numbers of bacteria grow in the residue in the bowl and other parts and are picked up by the cream at next separating. This is one of the chief reasons for poor quality cream. For best results the separator must be thoroughly washed and scalded after each run. If, for any reason, this is not done, the keeping quality of the cream may be improved by the following treatment: with the bowl turning at full speed, pour a pailful of hydrochloric solution into the supply tank. Brush the inside of the tank with this solution, then allow it to run through the machine. This will rinse out and destroy many bacteria and prevent them contaminating the cream when the milk is run through the machine.

NO PERMIT NEEDED TO KILL POULTRY

Although the new permit policy for slaughtering livestock, of the Foods Administration Wartime Prices and Trade Board, requires farmers to have a permit to slaughter cattle, calves, hogs, sheep, lambs, if the meat is for sale, no permit is needed to slaughter livestock if the meat is to be used in the farmer's household, officials of the Board stated. No permit is needed for the slaughter of poultry, whether for home consumption or for sale, it is emphasized. For slaughter of livestock for sale, a permit should be obtained from the nearest office of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

A stiff wire brush is a great aid in keeping the burners of a gas or electric stove free from crumbs.

When making napies, it is advisable to toast the small bits of bread first, then spread with butter to give flavor and to prevent the topping from soaking into the bread.

Viking Items

For the past few weeks the Viking midget hockey club has been removing snow from the rink and have just recently started to put on water. About four or five of the boys have been doing all the work when at least ten should be.

The club had planned on putting on a dance but they would like it to be known that it has been cancelled. Members of the team are now selling tickets on a turkey which will be raffled off on Dec. 22. How about buying some tickets? It would be appreciated very much. The club officials would like to extend thanks to Mrs. McLaren for the use of her team when the snow was being moved from the rink.

The army and air force are getting along pretty swell regardless of rumors to the contrary. On Tuesday a mobile unit consisting of Flight Lieut. R. Burnap, medical officer; Flying Officer W. Barrell, and Pilot Officer R. Jaques, and Corporal Margaret Pike, of the R.C.A.F. (Women's Division) and Sergeant Major Barnes, of Military District No. 13 (army) were in town receiving applications for their various branches of the armed services.

They reported considerable success and any recruits taken on the strength of the army or air force will be made known later when and if the applicants are successful.

The New Year's Eve dance at the Viking will be sponsored by the Malta Squadron Air Cadets of Viking, No. 134, in the Elks hall on the evening of Thursday, December 31. A strong committee has been appointed to make it an evening long to be remembered.

Net proceeds will be divided equally between the Red Cross and the Malta Squadron Air Cadets. Plan to come to Viking on New Year's eve and bring your friends and holiday visitors.

The Viking Elks Lodge take this opportunity to thank the public for the generous support given during the recent carnival and report that the proceeds have been used to good advantage in assisting the following worthy causes: The Cotter family; Milk for Britain Fund; Canadian Red Cross; Overseas Cigarette Fund; Save the Children Fund; Salvation Army; Christmas Hampers.

Those wishing to take a course in curling, such as the right way to throw a rock, the proper stance, in turn and out turn how to sweep a rock, and the proper deportment on the ice, should see J. L. Slavik who is in charge of this new innovation that the Viking curling club is sponsoring.

The small fee of 25¢ is being charged but this will all be given back in the form of prizes to the best in each class after the course has been taken.

It is a splendid idea and has been in vogue in Winnipeg and other large centres for many years.

Miss Joyce Howells, of the R.C.A.F. (Women's Division) arrived from the east and will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Howells. AC2 Chas. Pooler, R.C.A.F., Edmonton, spent the week-end at home here with his parents.

Serg Steve Bird, R.C.A.F., of the wireless air gunner school somewhere in Alberta, is spending a few days leave at his home with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bird.

Mrs. W. J. Lee has the good news that her son, Leslie Lee, may be home for Christmas.

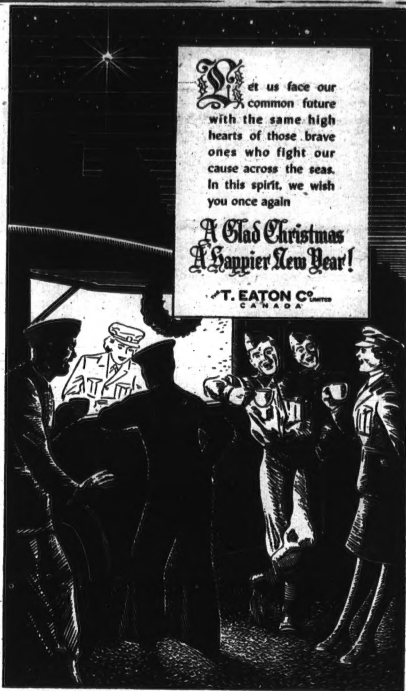
Military District No. 13 reports enlistments in the Army (Active) as follows: Alfred Boraas, of Viking; Alfred Paish, of Kinsella; and Alvin John Seibls, of Viking.

Mrs. F. Harrison and two daughters left last Wednesday for Westaustralia where they will make their future home. Son Harold is a member of the Westaustralian Times. Fletcher Harrison is a member of the Veterans Guard, doing duty somewhere in Canada. F. J. Detmold, who is with the air inspection division in Edmonton, writes that he had just returned from a two months trip to West Virginia, Chicago, Cincinnati and other U.S. centres. However he still considers Viking his home town.

According to an official notice from the Wartime Prices and Trade Board in the week's issue of the News, fluid milk for consumption is reduced 2¢ per quart beginning today.

Ed Featherstone returned on Thursday's train from New Westminster, B.C., where he attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Mary Featherstone.

Jimmie Ash has arrived home after spending two months with a survey party in the north country. Stores and business places will be closed all day December 25 and 26.



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THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD

M. D. of Wainwright Councillors Have Busy December Session

The council of the Municipal district of Wainwright No. 392 met in the council chamber of the municipal district on Thursday, December 10, 1942, at 10 a.m.

Present—Councillors Sutherland, Spencer, Fahner, Strachan, Dixon, Taylor and Archibald.

Reeve D. Sutherland in the chair. Moved by Mr. Spencer that the minutes of November 12 be accepted and adopted. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the list of accounts as presented by the finance committee be accepted and passed for payment, amounting to \$252.04. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the pay sheets as presented, amounting to \$265.27, be approved for payment. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the statement of receipts and disbursements for month ending November 30 be received as read and incorporated in the minutes. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the secretary write Mr. Pawsey requesting him to forward the amount of \$9.00 balance of purchase price of the former Vale of office, and that the council be prepared to pay him the sum of \$2.50 as rental of land on which said office is situated for a period of two and one-half months in this year. Cd.

Correspondence from the department of municipal affairs, re: method of holding municipal elections and ministerial order providing for elections by respective divisions dated November 30, 1942, received and filed for reference.

Moved by Mr. Fahner that the secretary be instructed to turn over to the municipal solicitor the matter of collections for amounts owing to the District on municipal machinery. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that Mr. Dixon be appointed a committee to deal with the disposal of municipal wagon-gear and report. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the correspondence from the director of surveys with plan of township 43 range 4 W4m, as to section 32 and 33 in said township be tabled until next meeting. Cd.

Correspondence from the village of Edgerton with reference to completion and graveling the road north from Edgerton to highway No. 14 presented and secretary was instructed to advise that this would be considered when preparing the 1943 public works estimate.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the secretary advise the board of transport commissioners with reference to their letter of November 21 and blue print attached that the council would be willing to make the necessary changes at the railroad crossing east of Greenshields as outlined in their communication, when weather will permit. Cd.

Secretary was instructed to make application to the recorder of brands, department of agriculture, for an appropriate brand as required under the Domestic Animal Act.

Secretary reported that a petition with reference to Herd By-

law No. 13 had been received and the council recommended that same be tabled on account that such petition had not the required number of proprietary electors attached to same.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that on account of the purchase date of Section 13-44-7-4 by H. C. Driver that 5/12 of the current taxes be cancelled. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the action of the reeve with reference to sale of oats to H. H. Santee grown on the S.E. 16-45-8-4 be approved. Cd.

The following application for leases as noted were granted:

W4 28-44-1-4, pasture, 3 years, J. H. Carpenter;

S4 17-43-4-4, pasture, 3 years, O. Norland;

E4 13-42-4-4, crop share 1/4, 3 years, W. N. Eaton (tabled);

NW 6-42-3-4 crop share 1/4, 3 years, A. Krause;

SW 18-44-1-4, pasture, 1 year, N. O. Harris.

Moved by Mr. Taylor that Mr. Fahner be a committee to advise the sale of barn NE 2-43-1-4, and other buildings. The secretary was instructed to return to Mr. H. Hassall his cheque for the amount offered for said barn. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the offer of Mr. L. Killorn to purchase the W4 24-44-7-4 be received by-law No. 21 setting out the purchase price as follows, that is \$200.00 cash, \$225.00 December 1, 1943, \$225.00 December 1, 1944, interest at the rate of 5 per cent, sale subject to the approval of the minister, receive its first and second reading. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the report of Mr. Fahner re: E. A. Glover as to accommodation be accepted and action approved and that the expenditure of \$6.00 per month rent for the above named be sanctioned. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the office make arrangements to develop a Kardex Tax Roll system as previously discussed. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the report of the delegates to the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts convention held in Calgary November 18, 19 and 20, be accepted and filed. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the secretary advise the Alberta government purchasing agency re: requisition No. 31960 that the sale of the municipal district safe can not be considered at the present time. Cd.

Correspondence from the Wainwright and District Board of Trade with reference to ladies' rest room received and filed.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the accounts of Alice Fernenko and Pete Olson in the respective amounts of 44c and 65c seed grain be cancelled this being unpaid interest. Cd.

Correspondence from the secretary of the All Farmers Conference inviting the reeve, councillors and secretary-treasurer to their meeting of Dec. 16, be received and filed.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the resignation of Mr. Strayer as pound-keeper be accepted and that

Mr. Strachan be a committee to recommend a successor. Cd.

Correspondence from the Wainwright municipal hospital advising that two vacancies will occur on the board of trustees in February, 1943, viz: representing Grizzly Bear area and Battle River area.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the place of voting for hospital trustees Grizzly Bear area shall be Battle Creek school and that R. J. A. Roberts be the D.R.O. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the place of voting for hospital trustee Battle River area shall be Fabyan school and that Mrs. P. M. King be D.R.O. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the secretary advise Mr. J. A. MacKenzie K.C. reference to James and Annie Wilkinson that the provisions under the Soldiers Relief Act of 1940 are extended and approved. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the secretary draft a resolution recommending that Section 69 of the Municipal Districts Act be amended so that it may be optional for the council of an enlarged district to appoint a secretary-treasurer or a secretary and a treasurer and forward same to the minister of municipal affairs for his consideration. Cd.

Resignation of Miss M. E. McCluskey as stenographer book-keeper dated November 3, 1942, to take effect December 15, presented to the council for consideration.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the resignation of Miss M. E. McCluskey be accepted. Cd.

Several applications for the position of book-keeper stenographer were received and dealt with.

Moved by councillor Fahner that the council do now adjourn. Cd.

SPORTS

(By Walter Marlow)

Right now about the hottest team in the National hockey league is the Boston Bruins. They have lost only one game in their last twelve starts and are in the league leadership with 20 points, made up of nine wins and two draws. Following the Sunday night games in the N.H.L., two brothers, Doug and Max Bentley were tied in the point getting department with 23 points each. They are closely followed by Billy Taylor of the Maple Leafs with 22 points, Syl Apps and Lorne Carr, also of the Leafs, occupy third spot with 21 points each. In the seventeen games the Maple Leafs have played they have chalked up a total of 81 goals, 13 of which have been scored by rookie Gey Stewart who is tied with Red Hamill of the Chicago Black Hawks for individual goal scoring honors.

To remove paint that has stuck to a polished surface, soften with a little olive oil.

Leftover mashed potatoes, sweet or white, may be fashioned into small cakes, rubbed with melted butter and browned for five minutes in the oven.



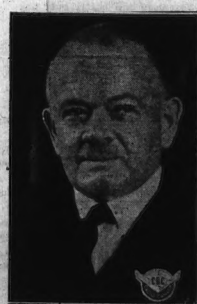
HELEN MAGILL

Assistant talks producer—Women's Interests—for the Prairie Region. Miss Magill arranges for and produces the women's talks heard Wednesdays and Friday over station CBK Watrous, and other stations of the western network, at 4:15 p.m., and for the Wednesday afternoon period she is at present planning a series of special programs for the prairie homemaker to extend over a four month period.

Miss Magill was educated in Winnipeg public schools and graduated from the university of Manitoba. Before coming to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation she was employed in a newspaper reference library. She joined the Press and Information Service of CBC over two years ago and left last spring to become affiliated with the Talks Department.

She has been connected with women's organization since her teens, when she was a particularly enthusiastic Girl Guide. During her university career she belonged to clubs and a sorority and after graduation to a women's volunteer organization.

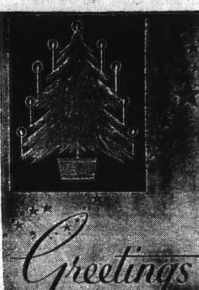
During her holiday last summer she visited several western points and was very impressed with the work of the western women's organizations.



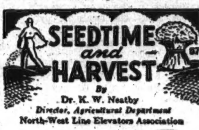
Major W. E. Gladstone Murray
Director, general of broadcasting for the CBC. His headquarters are now in Toronto.

Don't twist, bend or tie the so-called cord attached to your electric iron. It is not a cord, but two bundles of wires.

NEW GREETING CARDS



To stimulate the sale of War Savings Stamps and Certificates during the holiday season, the National War Finance Committee is offering, free, wartime greeting cards which may be used to send them as Christmas gifts. One of them is reproduced here. Citizens may secure their cards along with stamps and certificates from any bank or post office in Canada.



Dr. K. W. Healy
Director, Agricultural Department
North-West Irrigation Association

What Shall We Do About It?

In our last article an attempt was made to stress the permanent damage being done to our farm lands by erosion, and the urgent necessity of undertaking corrective measures. We promised to offer a few suggestions.

We believe that the Dominion Government should outline and announce a long-term soil conservation scheme at the earliest possible date. The problem will never solve itself, and it will never be solved by year to year expedients. It is probable that the good, reasonably level land on the open plains can be devoted to grain farming almost indefinitely, and soil drifting controlled by strip farming and good tillage practices. In the park and wooded areas, where both soil drifting and water erosion are doing serious damage, grasses and clovers must play an important part in any effective conservation programme.

Obviously, any scheme must recognize the difference in farming conditions between the open prairies and the park and wooded areas. Too many of us think of forage crops only in terms of markets for livestock. This is a secondary consideration. The soil must be preserved. If acreage payments are to be made in 1943, we suggest that greater encouragement be given to grasses and clovers in specified areas. You say where is the seed coming from? I reply, from whom will it come in five years time if we don't start now?

Ask your local line elevator agent for a booklet dealing more fully with the subject.

Water should never be poured on burning flax. It will spread the blaze. Flour will extinguish the blaze.

If woolen stockings shrink while washing, put them through the water again and while still wet put them on a stretching stretcher.

Bracken

BRACKEN OUTLINES HIS OBJECTIVES

WINNIPEG, Dec. 12—These are the objectives for which Hon. John Bracken, newly-elected Progressive Conservative leader, stands as outlined by him in accepting leadership at the national convention:

1. The right of every man to have a job.
2. The right of every worker to a fair day's pay for a fair day's work.
3. The right of every individual to be rewarded not on a basis of equal pay for all but on a basis which recognizes the value of the service given.
4. The right of farmers and other primary producers to a fair share of the nation's income.
5. The right of both public and private enterprise to a fair day's work for a fair day's pay.
6. The right of private enterprise to a fair return on the investment it risks.
7. The right of every child and youth to equal opportunity to the maximum education suited to its capacity that the state can provide.
8. The right of every citizen to security against loss of income from accident, sickness, loss of employment, old age and other disability.
9. The right of depressed provinces to a rationalization of dominion-provincial financial relations.
10. The right of the public to expect efficient administration of the funds it entrusts to the management of the state.
11. A recognition by the public of the right of the state to exact by a fair system of taxation the funds necessary to meet the services required by the state.
12. The right of future generations to a world of plenty.
13. The right of future generations to a world of peace.
14. The right of the people to expect from their leaders a determined effort to disencumber society from the barriers to world trade, world progress and world peace; and the right of these leaders to expect from the public something more than passive support in getting them removed.

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The British Empire

DURING THE PAST few years we have periodically been told that the British Empire is degenerate, and that when the war is over, the Empire will no longer exist. Most of these statements have come from Axis propagandists, but some have come from certain groups within nations to which we are a recent broadcast address Mr. Churchill assured his wide-spread audience that he had no intention of presiding over the liquidation of the British Empire. His statement caused indignation in some quarters, but there were no protests from the members of the Empire concerned. Apart from France, Britain was the only country to declare war before being attacked. She was quickly joined in the struggle by all parts of the Empire, and for nearly a year, this was the only force that stood against the threat of world domination by the Axis nations. The Dominions have co-operated closely with the mother country since the beginning of the war. Every day representatives of Canada, New Zealand, Australia and South Africa confer in London on the course of the war. The Prime Ministers of all these nations have attended meetings of the British War Cabinet. Mr. Churchill has addressed the Canadian Parliament and conferred with Gen. Smuts, premier of South Africa, at Cairo. The Commonwealth Air Training Plan, familiar to all Canadians, is further proof of the solidarity of the Empire.

No Possessions Are Exploited

We are sometimes told that the people of the Empire have been oppressed, and exploited by Britain. On the contrary, there has been a clear policy during the past half century of encouraging independence among them. In that time Canada, Australia and the other Dominions, have become independent nations. Other parts of the Empire, whose governments are linked more closely with that of the mother country, are not exploited. In many cases, we are told, the taxpayers of Britain, not only do not benefit from these associations, but contribute towards the public services and defence of many distant possessions. In a recent address, delivered in London, General Smuts, premier of South Africa, and an honoured statesman of the Empire, said of the British Commonwealth: "It is true that this greatest human experiment in political organization, this proud political structure of time, this precedent and anticipation of what one hopes may be in store for human society in the years to come, is being tested as never before in its history. But is it not standing the test? Is not this free and voluntary association, is not this world-wide human co-operation, today holding together more successfully than ever, under the most searching test?"

Indian People Are Not United

In India, the unity of purpose characteristic of the rest of the Empire, has not been evident. The Indian question has been thoroughly reviewed for the public many times, and the difficulties of granting self-government to a nation divided within itself are clear. To grant self-government at this time would be to imperil not only India, but the cause of all the United Nations. In an article written recently by Sir Norman Angell, distinguished British economist, some interesting figures regarding India's government and development are given. He tells us that in the government of India, which administers to a population of over four million people, there are only about one thousand British officials. All others are Indians under British rule. India has acquired thirty-six thousand miles of railroad, twenty thousand miles of canals, and an irrigation system extending over thirty million acres of land. These figures do not indicate exploitation of the Indian people or their resources. India has been promised self-government at the end of the war, either within the Commonwealth of Nations or outside of it. It is to be hoped that at that time the people of India will be able to form a government and that they will decide to remain within the Empire.

Pack Energy In That Lunch Box!



TODAY with hundreds of thousands of Canadian men and women engaged in war industry, the planning of the daily lunch-box becomes more important than ever before. Upon the quantity of essential vitamins, minerals, carbohydrates, proteins, etc., contained in the war worker's lunch depends his or her energy and stamina, and the scale of production! When a man or woman feels "starved" after a half-day on the job, the sight of a carelessly packed lunch-box, or bedraggled looking sandwiches is no stimulus to the appetite.

SANDWICHES should be made of whole wheat or brown bread. Fillings should be different in each sandwich if possible, for the sake of variety and balanced nutrition. A chopped vegetable filling might be used in one sandwich and meat, cheese or egg combination in another. Fillings should always be moist. Meat from a left-over roast may be ground and mixed with pickles or salad dressing. Fresh bread should always be used for lunch-box sandwiches as they must stay packaged for some time before they are eaten.

RAW FRUITS and vegetables are a "must" in any worker's lunch-box. Apples and oranges are an important source of vitamins and minerals that every worker needs. Radishes, celery, raw carrots and lettuce can be wrapped in waxed paper. Vegetable salads may also be used when packed in tightly covered containers which can easily be carried in the lunch-box and thrown away after use.

ALTHOUGH eggs may be included in sandwich servings, one or two tasty devilled or hard boiled eggs in the lunch-box are always welcome. Wrap each egg well in waxed paper and place it in the box where it will not be crushed.

CHOCOLATE puddings or gelatin desserts are welcome additions to any lunch-box. They are easy to pack in covered paper containers. One way to be sure that the worker is getting the necessary pint of milk per day is to make milk the lunch-box drink. A variant might be hot cocoa in a thermos.

A **LUNCH-BOX** containing a combination of all these items is guaranteed to stimulate the most jaded appetite. A post card request to the Western Division, Health League of Canada, 111 Avenue Road, Toronto, will bring you a free copy of our authoritative Vitamin Chart.

Some Very Odd Names

Were Used By English Puritans In The Seventeenth Century

While Bob Burns has introduced some names that are odd and unusual, such as Uncle Fud, Aunt Boo and Grandpa Snazzy, these little country cognomens are commonplace compared with names used by English Puritans during the middle of the seventeenth century. Digging through an old book, Burns emerged with some classics. Among them were: Faint-not Hewitt; Meek Brewer; Killian Pimple; Be-faithful Joiner; More-fruit Flower; Weep-not Billing; Stand-fast-on-high String; Fly-debate Roberts; Eleeced Mitchell; Vancouver Sun.

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Not Wasting Paper

Supply Ministry In Britain Has Imposed New Restrictions

Drastic restrictions on the use of paper have been imposed in the paper control order of the Supply Ministry in Great Britain. Even letters must be cut to the shortest. The order enjoins that only the quantity of paper that is reasonably required may be used for any document, leaflet, pamphlet, report letter, or memorandum—whether printed, written or typewritten. The use of paper is more strictly controlled for advertising, pools and competitions, circulars, wrapping and packing, and labels. The restrictions on posters extend to advertising window bills and show cards. The ban on new newspapers and periodicals continues, and a fresh provision limits the advertising space in such publications.

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A Clever Writer

Statesmanship Not Only Thing That Has Made Churchill Famous

Winston Churchill always wanted to be a newspaper man. It was as a war correspondent that he got to South Africa and got captured during the Boer War. That was his first bid for fame.

And it is by his writings as much as by his statesmanship that the indomitable British leader is known throughout the world. He can turn a phrase in a manner to make it remembered. Recall the great speech he made in August, 1940, when the first phase of the Battle of Britain had been won by the Royal Air Force. His immortal words of tribute then were:

"Never in the history of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

And just the other day, after the great victory of the British Army in Egypt, closely followed by the coup which placed British and American forces in complete control of North Africa, speaking in Parliament on the course of the war and on the turn which it had taken in the past couple of weeks he declared:

"It is not the end, nor even the beginning of the end, but the end of the beginning."

Churchill's "nose for news," as the newspapermen call it, enables him to highlight his speeches in a manner to make them remembered. It is one of the secrets of his hold upon the people of Britain and the Allied countries in these days of peril.—Lethbridge Herald.

SELECTED RECIPES

ORANGE MARMALADE BREAD

1 cup milk
1 cup Crown Brand Corn Syrup
2 tablespoons Marmalade
1 cup orange marmalade
2 cups all-purpose flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
Temperature: 350 degrees F.
Time: 1 hour.

Method: Combine milk, corn syrup, marmalade and baking powder. Add sifted dry ingredients; stir lightly until blended. Pour into loaf pan 14" x 5" lined with waxed paper and oiled with marmalade. Bake in moderate oven.

BRAN FLUFF SQUARES

(Sugar-Saving)

7 ounces semi-sweet chocolate
2 tablespoons butter
2 eggs
1/2 cup corn syrup
1 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup All-Brain
1/2 cup chopped nut meats
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract.

Melt chocolate and butter over hot water. Beat eggs well, add corn syrup and continue beating until light and fluffy. Add chocolate mixture, stir in flour, salt, All-Brain, nut meats and flavoring. Pour into greased baking dish, making layer about one-third inch thick. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 25 to 30 minutes.

Yield: 16 2-inch squares (8x8-inch pan).

Birds have a temperature of 108, which would be fatal to humans. Don't fly around too much.

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NEWS of your Army

(By H. G. MacLennan)

Canada's growing Army is being trained with a view to making it the best fighting unit of its size in the world. This information was given by Hon. J. L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence, at a dinner tendered to him by officers of National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa. The minister said the Army has grown a hundredfold in the past three years.

The Army has been in few operations in this war but it is geared for the kind of action which will make the people of the Dominion proud of it when it is called upon to engage in large-scale assaults upon the enemy. The minister spoke informally to senior as well as junior officers who are working together to put the nation's biggest investment on a paying basis in terms of victory.

At a time when Canadian housewives were getting their plans lined up for Christmas and New Year's dinners when the sons and daughters in the Armed Services, still in Canada, will be home on Yuletide furlough, the questions of how much Christmas pudding, how big a turkey and sundry other topics cause worry. But how about a daily meal schedule that calls for 5,200 pounds of beef, 375 pounds of butter, 656 gallons of milk, 14,000 eggs, 66 bags of potatoes and 1,150 pies? That is the necessary material for three square meals a day at Webb Hall (named after Col. R. Webb, Assistant Quartermaster-General, and Catering Officer at National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa).

Situated at No. 2 District Depot, Toronto, Webb Hall can feed 7,000 soldiers in 30 minutes, the men being served by table orderlies direct from mobile pantries which move up and down the aisles. The trunk-type pantries are governed by a central control-tower which directs them to the places where they are needed. The men enter and leave the mess hall by means of green and red traffic and 16 ounces of vanilla.

A sample chocolate fudge pudding prepared by the 50 top-notch cooks using steam ovens, waterless cookers and other modernized equipment, calls for 224 gallons of milk, 56 dozens of eggs, 48 pounds of butter, 14 gallons of corn syrup, 98 pounds of cocoa, 126 pounds of corn starch and 16 ounces of vanilla.

Canada's Reserve Army will not be able to confine its drills to steam-heated armories and drill halls, this winter. Where possible skills will be used and commanders are being urged to improve training methods to conform with winter conditions. Skating, however, has been one of the more important factors in the training of Active Army personnel and the winter it will be given greater impetus in those areas where it can be practised. Special equipment is already being issued to units where such training can be carried out and special instruction is being given to camouflage and self-sufficiency as well as the general application of military manoeuvres under winter conditions.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

TODAY'S GOOD

With a song in my heart I greet the day,
And the task that day may bring,
For God's dear love shines on my way
What can I do but sing?—Maria Valde.

Get the pattern of your life from God, then go about your work and be yourself.—Phillips Brooks.

Divine love is our hope, strength, and shield. We have nothing to fear when Love is at the helm of thought, but everything to enjoy on earth and in heaven.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Give us to awake with smiles, give us to labor smiling; as the sun lightsens the world, so let our loving-kindness make bright this house of our habitation.—R. L. Stevenson.

This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterday.—Emerson.

Do not anticipate the happiness of tomorrow, but discover it in today.—Ellis Wheeler Wilcox.

AIR TRAINING PLAN

LIST OF GRADUATES

The following students graduated under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan from:

No. 5 Air Observer School, Winnipeg, Man. (Air Bombers)

Sgt. L. K. Arncliffe, Minotota, Man.
Sgt. J. Craig, Winnipeg, Man.
Sgt. T. R. Dickson, St. Vital, Man.
Sgt. A. B. Drummond-Hay, Winnipeg, Man.

Sgt. M. F. C. Giessey, Winnipeg, Man.
Sgt. E. J. Harvey, Melville, Sask.
Sgt. W. H. Lehman, Whitecourt, Man.
Sgt. F. J. Perry, R. Kilbourn, Man.
Sgt. W. E. Hahn, R. Kilbourn, Man.
Sgt. E. L. Brown, Saskatoon, Sask.
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Sgt. E. L. Brown, Saskatoon, Sask.

No. 10 Service Flying Training School, Dauphin, Man. (Pilots)

LAC M. A. Ansel, St. Boniface, Man.
LAC A. F. Buvell, Brandon, Man.
LAC S. E. Hines, Whitecourt, Sask.
LAC J. N. Cusker, Portage la Prairie, Man.

LAC J. N. Donnelly, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC P. V. M. Escaravage, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC E. E. Johnson, Lander, Man.
LAC M. F. Flewelling, Calgary, Alta.
LAC L. E. Giessey, Hallowell, Sask.
LAC D. W. Giessey, Portage la Prairie, Man.
LAC J. M. Hall, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC J. D. Hahn, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC J. R. Hawkins, Gilbert Plains, Man.

LAC T. M. Hawrylyk, Nipawin, Sask.
LAC M. C. Hage, Warren, Man.
LAC C. T. Leonard, Moosehorn, Man.
LAC I. M. Lowe, Bradwardine, Man.
LAC K. W. Nagay, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC J. W. Morris, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC W. A. McKean, Norwood, Man.
LAC W. H. Oakes, St. Boniface, Man.
LAC G. L. Parke, Banff, Alta.
LAC E. A. Saunders, Winnipeg, Man.

LAC J. Scott, Brandon, Man.
LAC H. N. Scott, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC G. W. C. Toal, Regina, Alta.
LAC E. S. Scott, Kildine, Sask.
LAC E. W. Scott, Kildine, Sask.
LAC E. Trudell, Winnipeg, Man.
LAC W. D. Williamson, Carleton, Alta.

No. 12 Service Flying Training School, Brandon, Man. (Pilots)

LAC C. R. Crowter, Speers, Sask.
No. 7 Air Observer School, Portage la Prairie, Man. (Air Bombers)

LAC J. W. Ashbury, Portage la Prairie, Man.
LAC E. L. Morrison, Calgary, Alta.

DEGREES OF COURAGE

After two years of service in Malta, Major Francis Gerard, a British army officer, says: "There are degrees of courage, and the rarest and purest form is that of fortitude—courage which endures, which faces terror, discomfort, pain and loss day after day, week after week, year after year—courage which goes on through sleeplessness, fatigue, disorganization and hunger." Malta is the valiant example.

The normal life span of an elephant is about 150 years.

Three million dollars worth of fish were landed by Canadian fishermen during June.

NO MORE MEDALS

The Royal Humane Society has given so many awards in Britain for bravery during the first three years of the war that it has run out of medals. To conserve bronze and release labor, the society will issue ribbons until the war's end.

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V. Hutchinson



We want to wish you all a year of health and happiness and the merriest Christmas you ever had

GOOD LUCK IN THE NEW YEAR

Jas. A. Hedley, Irma



A SERIOUS COAL SHORTAGE

There is already a serious coal shortage on the prairies. Farm families will suffer severely unless it is remedied. We recommend farmers to write to their Members of Parliament and to the Department of Natural Resources at Ottawa, urging that more men be allotted to work in our prairie coal mines.

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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS, ADVERTISERS AND CORRESPONDENTS

Following our usual custom, the Irma Times will not be published on Christmas day, December 25th, or New Year's Day, January 1st, 1943. This is done in order that the staff may have an opportunity to clean up the presses, linotype and the type standing up after the Christmas rush. The staff is smaller this year due to the war.

The next paper will be dated January 8th, 1943. Thanks.

Several carloads of people drove across from the Sharon community to hear the address given by Rev. Collier and see the film put on by the National W.C.T.U. through the Associated Temperance Forces of Alberta.

Mrs. Frank Matheson arrived in Irma Monday evening from Edmonton, being unable to find living quarters there in the city where her husband is employed. She will stay with her mother, Mrs. Frank Hughes.

Mr. Chas. Coffin, who has been in the Vicks hospital for some time is expected to return here this week where it is hoped home nursing will soon put him on his feet.

The amount collected for the British and Foreign Bible Society was \$28.80. The collectors, Mr. W. Masson and Mrs. Pryce Jones, take this opportunity to thank all those who so generously contributed to make this possible.

E. W. Carter received word from Edmonton last week-end that his son, Colin, was to be released from the hospital this week after four months surgical and medical treatment. He expected to come home on Thursday, December 17.

Mr. M. T. Knudson suffered a severe loss by fire last week when a practically new tractor caught fire, which Mr. Knudson and his son, Merle, were attempting to start. At the time the tractor was in a shed adjoining a granary which contained a quantity of seed wheat. The buildings were a total loss and the wheat was burned so that it is practically worthless.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Wozny of Edgerton visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Hlynka and family last Sunday.

Mr. J. C. McLean, the retiring trustee for No. 1 sub-division of the Wainwright School Division, No. 32, was re-elected by acclamation at the annual meeting held at Education Point school on Saturday, December 12. At the annual meeting for sub-division No. 2, held in Hedley's hall, Irma, on December 14, Mr. T. Sanders, the retiring trustee, was re-nominated and also Mr. Martin T. Knudson of the Coal Springs district. An election will be held next month.

The Sunburst Bus Co. announce that on the Edmonton-Wainwright run they will operate a bus on Wednesday, December 23 and December 30, but there will be no bus service on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. The public will govern themselves accordingly.

Last week Mr. R. H. Ott received the sad news of the sudden death of his father, apparently from a heart attack. Friends extend sympathy to Mr. Ott and family at this time.

Owing to the amount of hall rent to be paid for a suitable hall for the Irma school district Christmas concert, a charge 25c will be made for all adults residing outside the Irma school district who are not ratepayers of the district. Wednesday half-holidays for shops and stores in the village of Irma will commence on Wednesday, December 30, and also Saturday night closing will start on Saturday, January 2.

FOR SALE—Improved New Hampshire and Plymouth Rock roosters; also one Holstein cow due to freshen in March. J. N. Carrington, Irma, phone 108. 18-8p

STRAYED—From my place, one black yearling steer, no brand, a slit in each ear. J. McFadden, Irma. 18-8p

Kinsella

L.Cpl. Wilfred Long arrived home Saturday morning for a Christmas leave.

Mrs. Lyle Smart has received news by cable that her husband, Sgt. Al Gunner Lyle Smart, has arrived in England.

The annual meeting of the Kinsella Ladies Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Murray. The officers elected were Mrs. F. Murray, president; Mrs. W. T. Carpenter, secretary.

Christmas Message . . .

THE CHRISTMAS HOPE

The modern phrase, "New Order," which we find so constantly before us in our reading and convictions, was until very recently unthought of and when it did appear, had in the main a subversive and jarring effect. Today the term "New Order" is no mere catch phrase of some would-be exploiter or raving opportunist. It is not only in the thoughts of those who have suffered because of our social and economic failures of the past, but on the lips and upon the programs of leaders and statesmen in almost all the nations of the world. History has thus opened a new chapter. It has been thrust upon us, not by the harangues of political, or social reformers, or by moral idealists, but by the cruel hand of war. Carnage, famine, ruin and homes, blasted cities scorched earth, has forced upon the minds of multitudes of the world's peoples the conviction of failure and defeat. The "Old Order" was not only incomplete or insufficient; it had within it the very seeds of disaster, the harvest of which we are reaping today. Thus the heart of man cries out for a "New Order."

What form will this "New Order" take? What course will it follow? There are many answers as different and conflicting as those of the Japanese Imperialists and President Roosevelt, of Herr Hitler and Prime Minister Churchill, of Benito Mussolini and Sir Stafford Cripps, of General Franco and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek. There can however be but one answer so far as a truly Christian basis is concerned. It must be a "New Order" wherein dwelleth righteousness, the dispensation and rule of God's Kingdom.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men" was part of the first Christmas message. "For unto you is born this day a Saviour, Which Christ the Lord," was another and most important part. There can be no "peace on earth" except where there is understanding and good will in the hearts of men, and to speak of and urge good will towards others and amongst men, unless God's revelation of Himself and His will for the world is taken seriously, is useless. It was written of old and it is still written "His name shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins." That is where we must begin if we are to develop and secure for ourselves and coming generations a "New Order" wherein dwelleth security, freedom, righteousness, good will and peace. That is the only "New Order" that will stand the strain and test of time.

We have tried the way of each man for himself and each nation and empire for itself to the limit, and all this vain pursuit and failure in spite of the teachings, example and sacrifice of One Who long ago initiated the "New Order" of God's kingdom in the world and Who declared for the ears and hearts of all people "The thief cometh not, but for to steal and to kill and to destroy. I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." Against all the greed, enmity, hate, arrogance and cruelty of the world God has pitted the Spirit of Him Whose birthday we are about to celebrate. The spirit of a little Child, humility, trustfulness, love and peace, qualities which arrogant dictators ignore, ridicule and even seek to destroy.

Thus, as we again celebrate Christmas under the awful pall of war and recognize the crisis that is enveloping our world, may our hearts be encouraged and our faith strengthened by the assurance and confidence that the Christian gospel is timeless and therefore timely in every crisis of time. That "He shall not fail nor be discouraged till He hath set judgement in the earth." Other philosophies fall, other helps prove helpless. All that is really basic and lasting to the building of a "New Order" roots back in the old time angel's message, "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people."

I feel that there can be no more fitting and appropriate word for this Christmas season and the coming new year than the closing words of an address given recently by Sir Stafford Cripps in the Royal Albert Hall, London, "Will we as Christians put our faith and God's purpose before all our selfish desires, before our worldly possessions and comforts and before all else, that we may help accomplish that kingdom of God which Christ initiated and for which He died 2,000 years ago."

In such consecration of spirit and life we may all be bearers and sharers of the Christmas spirit

W.A. ANNUAL MEETING

'St. Mary's-W.A. annual meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Pryce Jones, on December 13. A warm welcome was given by our Rector and his wife, this being their first time of attending a meeting with the Irma W.A. All reports were given, including the secretary's annual report and treasurer's report which was very gratifying, showing a most successful year, and it gives our W.A. much pleasure in receiving such hearty cooperation from all our neighbors and friends for which we say thank you. Rev. Mr. Bralant took the chair for the election of officers. All officers were re-elected for another year. A very interesting talk was enjoyed from the Rector explaining many features of the W.A. work and its first instigation.

At the close of the meeting Mr. and Mrs. Bralant were showered with useful gifts from our W.A. members. As you know they were married in Christ church, Edmonton, November 7, the bride arriving from England just a couple of days before the ceremony.

NATIONAL W.C.T.U. FILM COMES TO IRMA

Under the caption "It's the brain that counts," Rev. W. G. Collier, general secretary of the Associated Temperance Forces of Alberta, unrolled a screen in the United church Sunday school at its regular session the morning of December 13, which thrilled the capacity audience with the thread of human interest running through its revelations of science. Its appeal was keen, showing as it did with indubitable clearness the veritable truth that alcohol detracts from physical fitness, depletes mental vigor and lowers moral concepts, the film rendered realistic features through conversation between a wise, kindly and sympathetic doctor and some young people.

As the story went a fatal accident had occurred inseparably connected with and directly following one of those popular supposed-to-be harmless affairs known as cocktail parties. The doctor gave them laboratory proof of the chemical reaction between the cause and the effect.

It was impressive. After the film there followed an electric current of oratory wherein Mr. Collier depicted the wholesale gripping of liquor traffic, finances and politics demoralizing insanity of unwise men.

He pointed to the power of Russia where alcohol is an outlaw. He called attention to the situation in our own provincial and federal governments where the leaders cower, allegedly powerless to alleviate distress wrought on by the alcohol which their laws allow to saturate their powers.

He made a mighty appeal that the people of Canada definitely resist the forces of evil manifest in beverage alcohol.

N.O.P.

and thus keep undimmed the glorious "star of hope" set before us in the Gospel when we pray, as taught by our Master, Thy kingdom come. They will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

We extend to all our people and friends our sincerest greetings and pray that you may find this Christmas Season, 1942, one of great inspiration, encouragement and blessing.

Your Minister and Friend,
Rev. E. Longmire.

ST. MARY'S J.W.A. SERVICE

Our service on Sunday, December 13, took the form of a children's, or perhaps I should say a J.W.A. (Junior Women's Auxiliary). Three members were admitted and presented by the Rector with their membership cards. We now have six members and with the promise of another one after Christmas. Our meetings are held on Mondays at 4 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Axel Peterson, superintendent. Our next meeting will be Monday, January 4, when we hope to have the pleasure of welcoming Mr. and Mrs. Bralant.

CONSERVATIVE PARTY ELECT BRACKEN NEW LEADER

WINNIPEG, Dec. 12—John Bracken, premier of Manitoba, was the choice of delegates in convention here to lead the new Progressive Conservative party and they armed him with the most advanced economic policy ever adopted by a major political party in Canada. The convention adopted the principle of "parity prices" on wheat, the payment of storage on the deliverable quota of wheat and an advance payment on that quota; the creation of price stabilization corporation to control price fluctuations, and the validation by constitutional amendment of the Natural Products Marketing Act so that orderly marketing in agriculture can be effected under its provisions, and the setting up of a credit controlling agency to provide farm credit at low interest rates.



UNITED CHURCH

This will be our special Christmas service with a Christmas message from the pastor and special Christmas music by the choir which will include the numbers "Under the Stars," and "When the Lord of Love Was Born."

A hearty invitation is extended to all.

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN
Holy communion will be celebrated at 9 a.m. Christmas morning, December 25. The rector is hoping for a good attendance.

Sunday, December 27
Afternoon service at 2:30 p.m. will consist chiefly of carol singing. Come and join us. Everybody welcome.

SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH
Christmas service, December 25, 11:00.

Christian and Missionary Alliance
Irma—3:30 p.m. Special Christmas service. Children's program.

Jarrow-Kinsella United Church
Sunday, December 20
Questers after God—"Job, the Distressed."
Kinsella—11:00 a.m.
Jarrow—7:30 p.m.

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